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## ***Media Advisory***

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## **Old Great Bridge Bridge spans removed**

**What:** Tidewater Skanska, the contractor working under the supervision of the Army Corps of Engineers to construct the new Great Bridge Bridge, used a giant crane to lift the northbound span of the old Great Bridge Bridge. The span, weighing 225 tons, and measuring 140 feet long and 29 feet 3 inches wide, was lifted in one piece by the giant crane the contractor brought in especially for the removal. Both spans are being sold for scrap metal.

**When:** The north span was removed at approximately 1 p.m. March 3. The south span will be removed at approximately 11 a.m. Thursday, March 4.

**Why:** The removal is part of the ongoing construction of the Great Bridge Bridge in Chesapeake. The Corps expects to complete the work later this year.

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